## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 854

## By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to commend James Fredrick Parker for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, James Fredrick Parker is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Mae Beavers and the Senate Judiciary Committee; James's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a true Southern gentleman and a sharp dresser, James Parker has always conducted himself in a courteous manner and has exhibited a happy disposition as he diligently completed every task set before him; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of West High School and a student at the University of Tennessee (UT), where he is highly regarded by his peers, James has achieved academic success while majoring in public administration and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, he is highly active in Beta Theta Pi, UT Mortar Board, Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity, UT Mock Trial, and swimming; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, James is an Eagle Scout, recipient of the Tennessee HOPE Scholarship, and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Mr. Parker has previously interned with the Federal District Court in the Eastern District of Tennessee and served as an editing intern at the Baker Center for Public Policy; and

WHEREAS, his extensive experience in public administration should serve him well at Washington and Lee University Law School, which he will be attending in the fall; and

WHEREAS, James's endeavors bring great pride to his parents, Rick Parker and Jeri Parker, and his brother, Chris Parker; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, James Parker brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2012 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2012 legislative session, James has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, James has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend James Fredrick Parker for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Mae Beavers and the Senate Judiciary Committee and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.